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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of:

Applicants DeBenedetti, Arrigo, *et al.* : Docket No: 101611/507550

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Serial No. 09/916,017 : Group Art Unit: 1635

Filed: July 26, 2001 : Examiner: J. Angell

For: CANCER GENE THERAPY BASED ON TRANSLATIONAL CONTROL OF A SUICIDE GENE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents,
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2003.

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003 for one month from April 22, 2003 to May 22, 2003.

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Submitted herewith is a check for \$55.00 to cover the cost of the extension.
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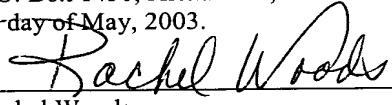
Respectfully submitted,

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